

## **Heart Attack (AMI) without Transfers Comments**

General Comments from all hospitals

Caritas Good Samaritan Medical Center  
Lahey Clinic  
Nantucket Cottage Hospital  
North Shore Medical Center – Salem Hospital and Union Hospital  
Sturdy Memorial Hospital

### **Caritas Good Samaritan Medical Center**

15/59 cases.

### **Lahey Clinic**

Actual mortality rates for AMI patients at Lahey Clinic are better than the state average and better than would be expected based on the severity of patient illness.

### **Nantucket Cottage Hospital**

Not cared for in-house.

### **North Shore Medical Center – Salem Hospital and Union Hospital**

NSMC is a center of excellence for cardiac care, remaining above national and state benchmarks for all key standards of care and outcome measures.

### **Sturdy Memorial Hospital**

Sturdy Memorial Hospital is a community hospital. One of our functions is to triage care so that patients that could benefit from those therapies offered only in tertiary care hospitals are appropriately and promptly transferred to them. By taking transfers out of the denominator in this measure, the ratio is skewed. In fact, all 14 deaths in this category have been closely reviewed. Their average age is 83 years. Twelve of them had a history of pulmonary or cardiac disease, and all 14 had complicated past medical histories. They all received the appropriate therapies. Twelve of these 14 patients had do not resuscitate/comfort measures only orders.